

EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING Tuesday, August 10, 2010

The Early Childhood Council (ECC) convened for a regular meeting on Tuesday, August 10, 2010, at Austin City Hall, Council Chambers, 301 West Second Street, in Austin, Texas.

Board Members in attendance are listed on the attached attendance roll sheet. Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) staff in attendance were Kerri Lang and Ron Hubbard.

CALL TO ORDER: Vice-Chair Kyle Holder called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. Outgoing Council Member Sandy Briley was recognized for her 15 years of service to children, families, the Council, and the community. Guests were: Lt. Kevin Gell, Chief Joe Limon, Dana Perez, and Lisa Martin.

- 1. INTRODUCTIONS: The Vice-Chair asked the guests to introduce themselves.
- 2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: None.

3. PRESENTATIONS:

- a. Proposed Health and Human Services Department Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Update Kerri Lang, HHSD Budget Manager, presented the update.
- b. Fire Code changes for child care Lt. Kevin Gell, Fire Inspector, and Battalion Chief Joe Limon, Fire Marshal, with the Austin Fire Department presented about the fire code changes that may impact child care providers. Questions and discussion followed.
- c. Austin Association for the Education of Young Children No presentation.
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes from the special called meeting on June 3, 2010 were approved on Council Member Keith-Thompson's motion with Council Member Porter's second on a 7 0 vote.
- 5. STAFF BRIEFING: Ron Hubbard, Early Childhood Coordinator, informed the ECC about the results of the final Request for Application process to re-allocate the former FamilyConnections funding. Communities In Schools, Easter Seals, and Any Baby Can were each funded for parent education and family support activities through September 2011.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- a. Executive Committee
 - i. Changing the September meeting date to the 21st from the 14th was approved without objection. The change was required due to a conflict with the meeting room.
 - ii. The mandated changes to the Bylaws were approved on Council Member Keith-Thompson's motion with Council Member Black's second on a 7-0 vote.
 - iii. Ad Hoc Nominations Committee: Council Member Albert Black presented the officer nominations of Aletha Huston, Chair, and Kyle Holder, Vice-Chair, and asked if there were nominations from the floor. Council Member Keith-Thompson moved that Kyle Holder be nominated as Chair and Aletha Huston as Vice-Chair as was planned before the mandated Bylaws change. The motion died for lack of a second. Aletha Huston as Chair and Kyle Holder as Vice-Chair for the term of office September 1, 2010 through August 31, 2011 were approved on the motion of the Nomination Committee on a 7-0 vote.
- b. Research and Policy Development None
- c. Providers Rhonda Paver and Margie Sanford reported about the last committee meeting and upcoming community events for providers.
- d. Finance None
- 4. SUCCESS BY 6 UPDATE None

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am without objection.

Present = 1, Absent excused = E, Absent unexcused = X

No Quorum